



# **City of San Antonio**

## **PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

### **Youth Basketball League Safety Protocols 2021**

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#### **League Logistics**

The community centers (9 currently open) will offer the Spurs Youth Basketball league. Each center will offer one league consisting of five (5) teams.

- Each team will have a minimum of seven (7) players per team and a maximum of eight (8) players per team. (Total of 35-40 participants per center)
- Season will be ten weeks long with eight (8) games for each team.
  - Regular season play will begin on the week of January 19<sup>th</sup> or later.
  - No invitational tournament is planned at this point, but one could be added if conditions allow for it.
- Games will be offered on weekday evenings and/or Saturdays.
- Games will be played using Parks and Recreation Department standard rules.

#### **Health and Safety Precautions**

- Games will be scheduled with at least 30 minutes between in order to allow time to clean. Staff will clean areas between games including bleachers, score tables, and other touch points.
- Facility Entrance
  - All players, coaches, parents, etc. will be asked COVID screening questions and have temperature checks at door. (Staff will use two thermometers per center in order to minimize waiting to get in.)
  - Two (2) spectators per participant will be allowed to attend games.
    - Rosters will have spots for spectators' names (to ensure that staff have information on who is in the building).
    - Spectators will be spread out at least six feet apart on bleachers to watch games.
- Crowd Flow Control
  - All participants, parents, coaches, etc., will enter through the front door to go into the gym.
  - After the game, the game clock will be set for five (5) minutes as a time limit for players, coaches, parents, etc. to exit the gym.
  - After the games, all participants, parents, coaches, etc. will exit directly out of the gymnasium to avoid going back into the building.
  - Players, coaches, parents, etc. for the second game of day will wait outside until gym is cleared and cleaned before entering. (Games scheduled with at least 30 minutes between to allow for people to leave and cleaning to be completed.) While waiting, ensure that social distancing protocols are followed.
- Masks Required
  - Coaches and spectators must wear masks.
  - Players on the bench must wear masks. (Masks can be removed when players are on the court playing.)





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**Health and Safety Precautions (continued)**

- Water Stations
  - Players should bring their own water bottle.
    - Players should not share cups or bottles.
  - Centers will provide a water cooler for each bench.
- Miscellaneous Health and Safety Measures
  - Basketballs will be cleaned between quarters and after games. (Basketballs will also be cleaned if touched by someone other than a player or official.)
  - Players will use hand sanitizer before each game and when checking in and out of the game.
  - Players will be spread out on benches and/or chairs along the sideline.
  - There will not be any handshakes or high fives at the end of the games. Teams can implement “air” high fives or cheers/chants to acknowledge “good game” sportsmanship.
  - Players will space out for the Spurs pledge at the beginning of each game.
- Team Practices
  - Only one team will practice at a time.
  - The same policies and procedures for games will be followed for practices.
  - At least 30 minutes will be scheduled between practices to allow for participants to exit and for staff to clean.

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